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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed foreign documents are also enclosed.

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The documents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form may be considered pertinent since they were cited during prosecution of parent application no. 08/909,052, filed August 14, 1997. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of the cited U.S. Patent documents are available in the parent application; copies of the foreign documents are provided herewith for the Examiner's convenience.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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